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Claims

A takeout/conveyor assembly for removing formed bottles from an I.S. machine having a blow station whereat a parison is blown in a blow mold which has a center line and cooled sufficiently so that a bottle will be formed and depositing the formed bottle on a conveyor comprising

a conveyor extending parallel to the center line of the blow mold for conveying bottles away from the I.S. machine, and

a takeout mechanism including

a takeout arm for gripping at least one formed bottle,

supporting means for supporting said takeout arm for displacement from a first pick-up position whereat a formed bottle at the blow station can be gripped, then to a second deadplate position, then to a third position next to the conveyor and finally to a fourth position whereat the takeout arm is located over the conveyor,

displacement means for

displacing said takeout arm from said first pick-up position to said second deadplate position,

displacing said takeout arm from said second deadplate position to said third position next to said conveyor, and

displacing said takeout arm from said third position next to the conveyor to a fourth deposit position whereat the takeout arm is located over the conveyor, and

means for operating the takeout to grip a bottle when the takeout is at the first pick-up position and for operating the takeout to release a gripped bottle at said fourth deposit position.